

	Wading Pools	Swimming Pools		Off-site wading and swimming activities
Training for on-site directors	▪ On-site directors must complete a basic water rescue and safety course.			
Register pool w/Maine CDC	no	▪ Yes		n/a
Depth	Max of 24 “	Over 2 feet up to 4 feet	Deeper than 4 feet	Any depth
Training for water safety attendant ⁱ	CPR and first aid certificates	Basic water rescue and safety course	Lifeguard certification	▪ Ocean & lake = lifeguard certification ▪ Wading & swimming pools = depends on depth of water
Staff-child ratios	Water safety attendant counts toward ratio	▪ Water safety attendants, lifeguards and swim instructors <u>do not count</u> toward ratio		If no lifeguards or water safety attendants present, provider must bring lifeguards or water safety attendants.
			▪ Only staff who can swim count toward ratio.	
		▪ Water safety attendants and lifeguards must be stationed next to the swimming pool, ocean, and lake.		
	▪ Staff who count toward ratio, must be in the water.			
	▪ A water safety attendant must be present at all times during swim instruction or other wading or swimming activities.			
	▪ During wading and swimming activities, staff must directly supervise children at all times. Children must be within sight and sound of staff.			
Fenced pool area ⁱⁱ	▪ In-ground pools must have a fence at least four (4) feet high and secured by a locked gate. ▪ Above-ground pools must have non-climbable sidewalls at least four (4) feet high or must be enclosed with a fence or otherwise protected to prevent unsupervised access.			

ⁱ “Water Safety Attendant” is a person trained in rescue techniques whose job is to watch over swimmers at a beach or swimming pool and save those in danger of drowning.

ⁱⁱ Swimming or wading pools must be emptied or removed from play areas when not in use or must be otherwise protected by fencing or suitable barriers to prevent children from gaining access without staff approval and supervision.